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c/o 105 S.C.I. Unit,
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3rd January 1945.


Dear VBZ,

I enclose a note showing the objects of turning NEBEL round. As you know, this case is primarily an American one, though I have been collaborating with the American case officer in NEBEL's exploitation, particularly from the technical point of view.

The enclosed note has been submitted by S.C.I. to Colonel Dick White at SHAEF for final approval.

Yours ever,

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1. OSTRICH, an important German saboteur, was captured while trying to pass through the Allied lines on 28.10.44. His mission was:

- (a) To locate and sabotage petrol pipe lines.
- (b) To contact a certain MARTIN, joint head of the JEANNE organisation in France and obtain his assistance in locating the pipe line.
- (c) To maintain contact with the JEANNE organisation with a view to its exploitation by Amt VI/S.
- (d) To reconnoitre an estate outside Paris, LA ROUILLEE, belonging to Pierre MORAND, with a view to establishing whether it was suitable for parachute operations and as a Fiessler Storch landing ground.

2. It is proposed to send OSTRICH back to Germany as an Allied double agent. The objects of sending him back are:

- (a) To inform Amt VI/S that he has reconnoitred the estate LA ROUILLEE and has found it suitable for parachute operations and Fiessler Storch landings. It is hoped that as Amt VI/S has great confidence in OSTRICH, they will parachute agents to LA ROUILLEE, will parachute equipment to LA ROUILLEE, and will send agents there to contact OSTRICH, who will be put in charge of all German sabotage operations in France.
- (b) To obtain from Amt VI/S lists of targets in whose sabotage they are interested, in order of priority, together with technical details as to how and where such targets are to be sabotaged.
- (c) To obtain details of new German sabotage equipment, with particular reference to camouflages.

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- (d) - To obtain details of Amt VI/S organisation, personalities, and sabotage training schools.

3. The possibility of this operation going wrong has of course been envisaged, though the case officers have confidence in OSTRICH. If the case does go wrong, the information that OSTRICH will be able to hand over to Amt VI/S is, with one exception referred to later, considered to be of negligible importance. He will be able to give accurate descriptions of his two case officers, of the double agent JIGGER, whom he has only seen dressed in U.S. uniform; he will be able to inform Amt VI/S that the saboteurs ZELLER and VLIEGEL have been arrested by the Allies; and he will be able to inform the Germans that certain of their contacts in Paris, to whom they have been directing saboteurs, have been arrested as a result of OSTRICH's exploitation by the Allies, which information would probably result in OSTRICH's execution by the Germans. The exception to the above is that the conduct of this case requires that OSTRICH should indicate to the Germans the location of some section of the pipe line. It is understood that the authorities will not object to OSTRICH knowing the location of some section of the pipe line, and in this case the handing of this information to the Germans naturally presents no problem.

4. The tactical information that OSTRICH will have as a result of his notional passing up to, and through the Allied lines will be minimal, and presents no problems from the point of view of the Armies and Army Groups.

5. On returning to Amt VI/S, OSTRICH will say inter alia that:

- (a) ZELLER dug up an underground sabotage dump and handed some of the contents to OSTRICH. (This is true, except that ZELLER did not dig the dump up.) The contents were insufficient for OSTRICH to carry out serious sabotage and for this reason he has not so far attacked the pipe line, which is well guarded. He hopes, however, to be able to do this

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later when he returns to France, with equipment and personnel parachuted to LA ROUILLEE.

- (b) He has sabotaged two locomotives on the outskirts of Paris with the equipment provided by ZELLER.
 - (c) ZELLER is installed at LA ROUILLEE. This is true.
 - (d) He has decided not to use VIEGEN because he is unreliable. This is true.
 - (e) He has made a small number of contacts among some French who are bitterly anti-Allied since the Allied invasion, who will assist him in sabotage, though he will require further saboteurs to be parachuted to LA ROUILLEE or sent through the lines to report there.
6. OSTRICH will ask Amt VI/S for a weapon with which to defend himself in case of emergency in the hope that they will supply him with a special pencil of a most unusual type, reported by the saboteur LAHAYE to have been recently manufactured by the S.D.
7. OSTRICH will obtain the names and addresses of the S.D. N.I. NETZ radio operators in Paris and will ask for another radio operator to be parachuted to LA ROUILLEE.

31.12.44.